

FY18 Grant Program Summary Funds Available: \$25,000,000

Basic Infrastructure

Assist communities in bringing facilities into compliance with environmental quality standards, protecting public health and the environment or improving the capacity of existing infrastructure.

Priorities:

- Projects that address US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or SC Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) Consent Orders or unsatisfactory ratings related to public health or environmental quality or projects that will resolve an imminent public health or environmental threat that has become critical in the past six months.
- Projects that address system components identified in DHEC sanitary surveys or compliance evaluation inspections as needing improvement or that have resulted in frequent violations of DHEC water quality standards.
- Projects that improve existing infrastructure that has reached the end of its useful life or is in severely deteriorating condition and negatively impacting the system.
- Other system enhancement that significantly impact system capacity

Eligible Activities: Upgrades, improvements or extensions of water or sewer infrastructure or storm water drainage

Economic Infrastructure

Build local infrastructure capacity to support economic development activities that will create jobs and boost opportunities for long-term community sustainability.

Priorities:

- Economic development projects that create impact through new job creation and private investment.
- Projects that will expand system capacity to help existing businesses create or retain jobs or to accommodate reasonable growth.
- Projects that support development of publically-owned industrial sites or industrial parks that have or are pursuing site certification.
- Projects that serve other publically-owned properties or other projects with demonstrated potential to create or retain jobs and private investment.

Eligible Activities: Upgrades, improvements or extensions of water or sewer infrastructure, storm water drainage or other public facilities.

Grant Amount: \$500,000

Eligible Applicants:

Units of Local Government, Special Purpose Districts, Public Works Commissions, Public Works Districts (Local Governments may apply on behalf of non-profit water and sewer companies)

Match Requirements:

All applicants: 100% of Non-Construction Costs
Projects in Tier I or II Counties: 25% of Total Construction Costs

Applications Due: September 11, 2017 and March 12, 2018
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